



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Joanne Sturges, Executive Officer  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

All Department/District Heads

At its meeting held December 9, 1997, held the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

"1997 marks the fifth year that the State of California has issued its list of Most Wanted child support evaders, a program which seeks to find parents who continuously refuse to take financial responsibility for their children. District Attorneys in 19 counties, including Los Angeles, submit their most elusive child support evaders, those who owe more than \$8,000 in back child support and have avoided payments to the State for inclusion on the Most Wanted list.

"California's Most Wanted poster can be accessed through the internet and, as of September 5, 1997, at all U.S. Post Offices throughout the State. According to Eloise Anderson, Director of the California Department of Social Services, 'the Most Wanted campaign sends a strong message to parents who stiff their children, and taxpayers, by refusing to pay child support.'

"District Attorney Gil Garcetti has established a similar list. 'L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents' can be found on the Bureau of Family Support's web page at [www.co.la.us/da/childsupport](http://www.co.la.us/da/childsupport) and also can be viewed on the Bureau's monthly, half hour program on family issues, 'District Attorney File: Family Focus,' now seen on more than 30 community access cable television systems in Los Angeles County. Criminal charges for willful failure to provide child support and arrest warrants have been filed against those individuals on L.A.'s Most Wanted Delinquent Parents list.

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"Currently, the District Attorney's L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents list totals 12 individuals who, on the average, owe \$41,557 in parental nonsupport for their children. The most egregious offender owes his children \$102,036.87. It is imperative that the County assist in exposing these 'domestic outlaws' to the widest audience possible in order to facilitate successful apprehension of the most irresponsible child support evaders in our communities."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

- a. Instructed the Chief Information Officer and the Director of Internal Services to include on all County department web pages a "hot link" to the District Attorney's "Los Angeles' Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list;
- b. Instructed the Executive Officer of the Board, in cooperation with the District Attorney, to coordinate in the airing of "Los Angeles' Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list before and after each televised Board meeting;
- c. Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer, in cooperation with the District Attorney, to post "Los Angeles' Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list in every County-owned and leased building;
- d. Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer and County Counsel, in cooperation with the District Attorney, to develop a Board policy requiring, as a condition of conducting business with the County of Los Angeles, that the "Los Angeles' Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list be posted at contractors' places of business;
- e. Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer to recommend to the Board other options for the County to pursue in an effort to crack down on Los Angeles County's "domestic outlaws"; and

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- f. Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to the Board within 60 days on all of the above Department Head directives.

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- Each Supervisor
- Director of Children and Family Services
- Director of Consumer Affairs
- Director of Public Social Services

Letter sent to:

- District Attorney

SYN. NO. 50

AGN. NO. 8

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

December 9, 1997

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Direct the Chief Information Officer and Internal Services Department Director to include on all County department web pages a "hot link" to the District Attorney's "L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list ;
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4. Direct the CAO and County Counsel, in cooperation with the District Attorney, to develop a Board policy requiring, as a condition of conducting business with the County of Los Angeles, that the "L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" list be posted at contractors' place of business;

5. Direct the CAO to recommend to the Board other options for the County to pursue in an effort to crack down on Los Angeles County's "domestic outlaws"; and,
6. Direct the CAO to report back to the Board in 60 days on directives 1-5.

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